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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 8092

BILL NUMBER: SB 465

DATE PREPARED: Feb 6, 2001

BILL AMENDED: Feb 5, 2001

SUBJECT: Medicaid Reimbursement Rates.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: X

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IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: (Amended) This bill requires the Office of Medicaid Policy and Planning (OMPP) to base the rate of reimbursement to providers in Medicaid managed care programs, fee for service programs, and demonstration projects on Medicare rates. The bill provides guidelines for calculating reimbursement to providers of anesthesia services. It also requires OMPP to update reimbursement rates at least once every two years. This bill also requires OMPP to accept claims submitted on specified forms and allows the Office to accept claims submitted on forms other than the specified forms.

Effective Date: July 1, 2001.

Explanation of State Expenditures: This bill requires OMPP to rebase the Medicaid reimbursement system for physicians, mental health providers, chiropractors, optometrist, podiatrists, advanced practice nurses, and others to reflect current Medicare data (Medicaid "relative value units"). (The reimbursement rates currently being used are based on 1994 Medicare data.). This provision is estimated to increase the state share of expenditures under the Medicaid and Childrens' Health Insurance (CHIP) programs by about \$6.7 M (\$17.7 M in total additional expenditures; \$11.0 M in federal share).

Increased expenditures for FY 2003 are estimated to be \$7.0 M for the state. Total additional expenditures are estimated to be \$18.5 M with about \$11.5 M in federal reimbursement.

The expenditures in the regular Medicaid program are shared with the federal government at a rate of about 62% (state share of 38%). CHIP expenditures are shared at an enhanced rate of about 73% (state share of 27%).

Explanation of State Revenues: See Explanation of State Expenditures, above, regarding federal reimbursement in the Medicaid and CHIP programs.

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Office of Medicaid Policy and Planning.

Local Agencies Affected:

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